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Title: System and Method for §
    Handling Exceptional §
    Instructions in a Trace §
    Cache Based Processor §
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF FEBRUARY 14, 2006

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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of February 14, 2006, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Please amend the case as listed below.